

Lake Park Villager

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CLERK'S CORNER

Upcoming Lake Park town meetings:

October 10 - 7:00 PM Village Council Meeting

October 25 – 7:00 PM Parks and Rec Meeting

October 26 – 7:00 PM Economic Development Commission – 3825 Faith Church Rd

LAKE PARK YARD SALE (SPONSORED BY THE HOA)

OCTOBER 7, 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM

LAKE PARK HOA MEETING

OCTOBER 12, 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LAKE PARK SAGES

OCTOBER 13, 7:00 PM, CARD BINGO AT FAITH UMC

LAKE PARK FALL FESTIVAL (SPONSORED BY THE HOA)

OCTOBER 14, 5K RACE, FAIR, AUCTION, CAR SHOW, FREE TRHOW CONTEST & MORE

LAKE PARK TOWNHOME ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 16, 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK GARDEN CLUB

OCTOBER 16, 7:00 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

Bows, Wreaths and Wrapping

LAKE PARK PLUS (INVESTMENT STUDY, MEMBER NAIC)

OCTOBER 18, 7:00 PM, 3900 ETHEREDGE STREET

LAKE PARK CAREFREE LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 24, 6:30 PM, COMMUNITY CENTER

Security Report

For August 2006

In August, the Sheriff's office responded to 79 calls within Lake Park which is up 12 from the 67 logged in July. Traffic enforcement stops outnumbered all other types of calls with a total of 24 – driven by the extra traffic on Faith Church Road. False alarms totaled 18 for the month. Because of the negative impact that these unnecessary calls have on law enforcement and other emergency services for the village, the council is reviewing ordinance definitions that would include a penalty for repeated false alarms.

Council Appoints Member

Sarah Barbour accepts position

During the September meeting of the Lake Park Village Council, the Council appointed Sarah Barbour to fill the seat vacated by the recent resignation of Mack Currence. Mrs. Barbour brings a wealth of village government experience and a strong desire to serve the residents as a member of the Council. She received her BA Degree in Sociology from UNCG and has worked for Bank of America and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. In 1995, she was the first Village Clerk hired by Lake Park, serving in this capactiy for 10 years. Under her guidance in this position, Mrs. Barbour influenced many of the processes and procedures currently in use by the village.

Some of her goals for the Council will be to continue her efforts to establish a historical record for Lake Park and to find ways to foster greater civic participation among residents. The Council welcomed Mrs. Barbour as Mayor Ross administered her oath of office on September 12.

EDC Update

Report from the Economic Development Commission

September 18 Workshop Results

Business leaders gathered at 7am to hear Jim Carpenter, President of the Union County Chamber of Commerce; Stephen Furtick, Lead Pastor of Elevation Church and Wade Little, Sales Representative for *Carolina MoneySaver* present proven techniques for effective Lake Park business marketing strategy. Leaders were able to ask questions and speakers brainstormed ideas to make this workshop a lively exchange of sound business principles and creative

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For your information...

Addendum for September 2006 Villager

The September 2006 edition of the Lake Park Villager contained an article concerning the National Night Out held on August 1. The article listed various groups who contributed time and effort to make the event a success. Several names were left out of the original article, but contributed immensely to the success of the event, including:

- The Lake Park SAGES
- Lake Park Community Watch
- The Matthisen Company
- Royetta Sieminski
- **Bob Brockington**

In addition to these groups and individuals, the National Night Out would not have been possible without numerous donations from individuals and the significant contribution from citizen volunteers.

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ideas over morning coffee. The next workshop will be 7-9am, TUESDAY, January 16, 2007 in the Lake Park Community Center. Theme: 2007 Business Goal Setting for Growing Success in Lake Park.

Web Presence Restored for Lake Park Businesses Residents can once again find a listing of Lake Park businesses on the original www.lakeparknc.com website. Although the list, restaurant menus, and hotlinks to business owner websites were missing for several weeks, they were restored on September 22. Both organizations, our Home Owners Association, and the Lake Park Village Council, realize the importance of recognizing our local businesses online and are seeking appropriate ways to do this on their own new web sites. Henderson Properties has been commissioned to design and manage a new site for the HOA. The official Village Council site is now www.lakeparknc.gov.

Did you know?

The most recent government report for Lake Park has the village population at 2840, an increase of 100 over last year.

From Parks and Rec:

FALL - Spruce up time!

The Parks and Recreation Commission encourages all residents to consistently maintain lawns, trees, shrubs and garden beds. Unkempt lawns can detract from the beauty of any neighborhood, but fall is a perfect time to reseed lawns, trim shrubs and perform general lawn maintenance including edging. Parks & Recreation encourages residents to take care not to blow clippings or leaves to the streets, sidewalks or toward neighboring or common areas. Action Garbage will pick up bagged clippings and leaves. Edging lawns and beds will prevent grass and mulch from encroaching onto sidewalk paths or hanging over the curbs.

Maintenance of Bradford Pear or other trees in front of our homes, including those between the sidewalk and curb, is individual owner's responsibility. Untrimmed trees interfere with driver visibility and obstruct walkers passing by. A good rule of thumb is to measure at least 5-6 feet up from the tree base, and if there are limbs in that area, trim them off. Parks & Recreation expresses thanks in advance to all who can do their part to spruce up Lake Park and carry on the tradition of our unique village; beautiful and enjoyable for all.